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This International search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

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1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- ☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
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- ☒ contained in the international application in written form.
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- ☒ the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
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2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

- ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
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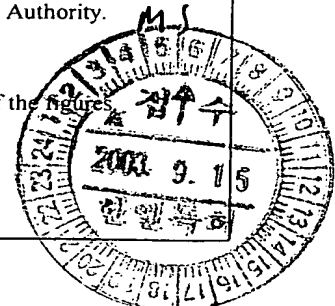
5. With regard to the **abstract**,

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6. The figure of the **drawing** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 5

- ☒ as suggested by the applicant.
- ☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
- ☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention.

☐ None of the figures



Box III TEXT OF THE ABSTRACT (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

The present invention relates to polynucleotide containing *HpYPS1* gene coding *Hansenula polymorpha* yapsinI; polypeptide coded thereby; *Hansenula polymorpha* mutant wherein yapsin activity is reduced by the mutation of the *HpYPS1* gene coding *Hansenula polymorpha* yapsinI; recombinant *Hansenula polymorpha* strain expressing a foreign protein prepared by introducing a gene coding a foreign protein to the *Hansenula polymorpha* mutant; and a method for preparing a foreign protein comprising the steps of culturing the recombinant *Hansenula polymorpha* strain under the condition that the foreign protein can be expressed, and isolating the foreign protein from the obtained culture broth.

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC7 C12N 15/31

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

Blast, PubMed, Delphion "Hansenula", "aspartic protease", "yapsin"

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	WO 98/01535 A1 (Novo Nordisk A/S) 15 January 1998	1-14
A	OLSEN, V. ET AL.: "Identification and Characterization of <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> Yapsin 3, a New Member of the Yapsin Family of Aspartic Proteases Encoded by the YPS3 Gene", <i>Biochem. J.</i> , 1999, Vol.339, pages 407-411 (Biochemical Society) cited in the application	1-14
A	KANG, H. A. ET AL.: "Efficient Production of Intact Human Parathyroid Hormone in a <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> Mutant Deficient in Yeast Aspartic Protease 3 (YAP3)" <i>Appl. Microbiol. Biotechnol.</i> 1998, Vol.50, pages 187-192 (Springer-Verlag) cited in the application	1-14

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.☒ See patent family annex.

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